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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Re: Application of Johannes Henricus Matthias SCHELLENS and  
Alfred Hermanus SCHINKEL  
A METHOD OF IMPROVING BIOAVAILABILITY OF ORALLY ADMINISTERED DRUGS,  
A METHOD OF SCREENING FOR ENHANCERS OF SUCH BIOAVAILABILITY AND  
NOVEL PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS FOR ORAL DELIVERY OF DRUGS  
Assignee: NETHERLANDS CANCER INSTITUTE, CANCER RESEARCH VENTURES  
**LIMITED**  
Our Ref: Q67353

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation-in-Part Application of pending prior PCT Application No. PCT/NL00/00331 filed May 17, 2000 of Johannes Henricus Matthias SCHELLENS and Alfred Hermanus SCHINKEL entitled A METHOD OF IMPROVING BIOAVAILABILITY OF ORALLY ADMINISTERED DRUGS, A METHOD OF SCREENING FOR ENHANCERS OF SUCH BIOAVAILABILITY AND NOVEL PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS FOR ORAL DELIVERY OF DRUGS.

Attached hereto is the Continuation-in-Part Application including the specification, claims and abstract, two (2) sheets of formal drawings, and the Preliminary Amendment.

The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, priority documents will be submitted at a later date.

The Government filing fee, after consideration of the preliminary amendment, is calculated as follows:

Total claims	29	-	20	=	9	x	\$18.00	=	\$162.00
Independent claims	4	-	3	=	1	x	\$84.00	=	\$84.00
Base Fee									\$740.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>								<b>\$986.00</b>	

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$986.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

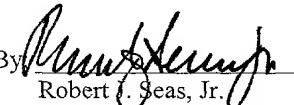
Priority is claimed from May 17, 1999, and June 30, 1999, based on Netherlands Application Nos. 1012066, and 1012481, respectively.

Since November 17, 2001 (30 months from the priority date) fell on a Saturday, the filing of this continuation-in-part application on Monday, November 19, 2001 is sufficient to maintain priority.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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